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Biography of Brian D. Bates, PhD.
Vice-Chairman of the Buckingham County Board of Supervisors

Dr. Brian D. Bates represents District 5 on the Board of Supervisors. Dr. Bates is also Vice-Chairman of the Board. Dr. Bates was elected to the Board of Supervisors in 2000 and is still seated on the Board. He has been on the Board for six years.

Dr. Bates moved to Buckingham County in 1971 after his father's retirement with the U.S. Army. He attended Buckingham County High School and graduated in 1986. He enjoyed both vocational and academic courses in high school. After graduation, he worked in Northern Virginia as a laborer for a construction company. In 1988 he enrolled as a student at Longwood College. He graduated from Longwood in 1992 with a double-major in Anthropology and Political Science. He then continued his education by attending graduate school at the University of London where he earned his master's degree and his Ph.D. in archaeology. He is currently employed as an assistant professor at Longwood University.

Dr. Bates has been a member of the Toga Volunteer Fire Department since 1988. He and his mother founded the Caring Friends Food Pantry in 1999. This organization provides food to the needy people in Buckingham County. He and his mother also operate the Buckingham Service Unit of the Salvation Army. He serves as treasurer.

Dr. Bates resides on route 56 in the same house he was raised.